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In re Application of: Brad K. Fayette  
Serial No. 09/972,568  
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Examiner: Kamal B. Divecha  
Title: *Method and System for Communicating Among Heterogeneous Systems*

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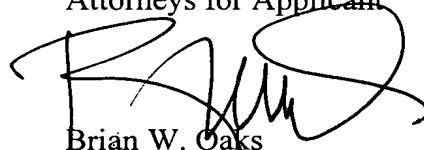
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